

### **Amendments to the Specification:**

Please replace paragraph 31 with the following rewritten paragraph:

[0031] Indeed, a module of executable code could be a single instruction, or many instructions, and may even be distributed over several different code segments, among different programs, and across several memory devices. Similarly, operational data may be identified and illustrated herein within modules, and may be embodied in any suitable form and organized within any suitable type of data structure. The operational data may be collected as a single data set, or may be distributed over different locations including over different storage devices, over disparate memory devices, ~~and may exist, at least partially, merely as electronic signals on a system or network.~~

Please replace paragraph 81 with the following rewritten paragraph:

[0081] Figure 8 depicts one embodiment of a resource allocation method 800 that may be employed on a client 400 to allocate additional performance resources to change the allocation of performance resources to the grid system 100. The illustrated resource allocation method 800 begins 802 when a user accesses 804 the local client user interface 700. Using the local client user interface 700, the user may issue 806 an allocation command to specify a performance resource allocation to the grid system 100. The allocation command may be to allocate a performance resource to the grid system, in one embodiment, or to terminate a current performance resource allocation, in another embodiment. In one embodiment, the local on-demand management apparatus 412 employs the client user input module 418 to receive the user input command.